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The House met at 11 a.m.

The Reverend Eugene Counihan, Fernald Developmentally Handicapped Center, Waltham, Massachusetts, offered the following prayer:

Almighty and eternal Father, we acknowledge Your presence among us this morning as we once again prepare to do Your work. We ask You to look kindly on our modest efforts so that what is accomplished at this session will be for the betterment of our great country and the desire for the peace and good will of all her people and our friends throughout the world.

We also ask You to let Your face smile upon each and every one who is present here this morning and to bless them and their families. We thank You for the great privilege of being present today and to grant that our efforts and accomplishments fulfill and reflect Your will and the hopes of all whom we strive to serve.

Finally, we ask You to continue to bless America. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

Mr. Lahood. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, on that, I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Florida (Mr. HASTINGS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal and on motions to suspend the rules postponed on Tuesday, March 11. Votes will be taken in the following order:

Approval of the Journal, the yeas and

House Resolution 122, the yeas and nays; and

House Concurrent Resolution 85, the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

One-minute will follow these three votes.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the pending business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 375, nays 45, answered "present" 2, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 53] YEAS—375

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